

## **Daniel Smith to Andrew Jackson, January 3, 1807, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.**

### **DANIEL SMITH TO JACKSON.**

Washington, January 3, 1807.

*Dear Sir* , By your letter of the 1st of last month it appears your mind is in suspense with respect to Mr. Burr's objects and intentions. No doubt is entertained here that his designs are hostile to the peace of the United States. But in general this is to be inferred from a number of facts and circumstances all pointing that way rather than any positive and direct testimony.

He wrote to Mr. Clay his Attorney in the Court of Kentucky where he was indicted. Mr. Clay is now a Senator at this place in the room of Mr. Adair. I have seen this letter. In it he says he does not own a single boat musket or bayonette and that the executive of the U. S. are acquainted with his object and view it with complaisance. The executive say they never were made acquainted with his object. Of course no reliance is to be placed in his protestations, and of course you ought not to let your first faith be shaken.

I am Dear Sir Your obedt. Servt.